

State of California
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

EXECUTIVE ORDER D-534-1

Relating to Exemptions under
Section 27156 of the Vehicle Code

Liberty Motor Company, Inc.
Replacement Fuel Tank Systems

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Air Resources Board (ARB) by Section 27156 of the Vehicle Code; and

Pursuant to the authority vested in the undersigned by Sections 39515 and 39516 of the Health and Safety Code and Executive Order G-02-003;

IT IS ORDERED AND RESOLVED: That installation of replacement fuel tank systems, manufactured by Liberty Motor Company, Inc. (Liberty) of 2390 S. Service Road West, Oakville, Ontario, Canada L6L 5M9, has been found not to reduce the effectiveness of the applicable vehicle pollution control system, and therefore, the replacement fuel tank systems are exempt from the prohibitions in Section 27156 of the Vehicle Code for use on the following vehicles:

Liberty		Vehicle	Ford	
System	Capacity (L)	MY	Model	Capacity (L)
WIN96/97L	84	1996-1997	3.3/3.8 Windstar	75.7
WIN1998L	84 and 98	1998	3.3/3.8 Windstar	75.7
WIN99/00L	84 and 98	1999-2000	3.3/3.8 Windstar	98.4
WIN01/02L	72 and 98	2001-2003	3.3/3.8 Windstar	98.4

This exemption is based on the results of the 2-day diurnal evaporative emission test, fuel hose permeability test, On-Board Refueling Vapor Recovery emission test, and the On-Board Diagnostic II (OBD II) System test. Test results showed that the replacement fuel tank systems do not adversely affect the vehicle's evaporative or refueling emissions or its OBD II System. Similar results are expected when the replacement fuel tank systems are used on any of the vehicles included in this exemption.

Exemption of the replacement fuel tank systems shall not be construed as an exemption to sell, offer for sale, or advertise any component of the replacement fuel tank systems as individual devices.

This Executive Order shall not apply to any device advertised, offered for sale, sold with, or installed on a motor vehicle prior to or concurrent with transfer to an ultimate purchaser.

This Executive Order is valid provided that installation instructions for the replacement fuel tank systems do not recommend tuning the vehicle to specifications different from those of the vehicle manufacturer.

Changes made to the design or operating conditions of the replacement fuel tank systems, as exempt by the ARB, which adversely affect the performance of the vehicle's pollution control system shall invalidate this Executive Order.

Marketing of the replacement fuel tank systems using an identification other than that shown in this Executive Order or for an application other than those listed in this Executive Order shall be prohibited unless prior approval is obtained from the ARB.

In addition to the foregoing, the ARB reserves the right in the future to review this Executive Order and the exemption provided herein to assure that the exempted add-on or modified part continues to meet the standards and procedures of Title 13, California Code of Regulations, Section 2222 et seq.

This Executive Order does not constitute any opinion as to the effect the use of the replacement fuel tank systems may have on any warranty either expressed or implied by the vehicle manufacturer.

No claim of any kind, such as "Approved by the Air Resources Board," may be made with respect to the action taken herein in any advertising or other oral or written communication.

THIS EXECUTIVE ORDER DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CERTIFICATION, ACCREDITATION, APPROVAL, OR ANY OTHER TYPE OF ENDORSEMENT BY THE AIR RESOURCES BOARD OF CLAIMS OF THE APPLICANT CONCERNING ANTI-POLLUTION BENEFITS OR ANY ALLEGED BENEFITS OF LIBERTY MOTOR COMPANY, INC.'S REPLACEMENT FUEL TANK SYSTEMS.

Violation of any of the above conditions shall be grounds for revocation of this Executive Order. The Executive Order may be revoked only after a ten-day written notice of intention to revoke the Executive Order, in which period the holder of the Executive Order may request in writing a hearing to contest the proposed revocation. If a hearing is requested, it shall be held within ten days of receipt of the request, and the Executive Order may not be revoked until a determination is made after a hearing that grounds for revocation exist.

Executed at El Monte, California, this 5TH day of June 2003.



Allen Lyons, Chief
Mobile Source Operations Division